

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS23380

The purpose of this legislation is to bring consistency to the residency requirements for obtaining fishing and hunting licenses in Idaho. Currently, Idaho Code 36-202 (s) defines 'Resident' to be someone who has lived in the state for 6 months but the definition for 'Senior Resident' in 36-202 (t) requires one to have lived in Idaho for 5 years. Additionally Idaho Code 36-404 Class 4: Senior Resident Combination License also defines the residency requirement to be 5 years.

The legislation changes 36-202 (t) and 36-404 Class 4 residency requirements to match 36-202 (s) and provides consistency in the definition of residency for the purposes of Idaho Fish & Game licenses.

FISCAL NOTE

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) reports that during 2014, 43,500 senior combination licenses were sold. IDFG estimates that 2600 seniors purchased licenses at the full price of \$31.75 (excluding vendor fees), instead of purchasing licenses at the reduced senior price of \$10.00 (excluding vendor fees). If all seniors purchased licenses at the reduced senior price, IDFG would potentially lose \$56,550 in revenue.

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